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SUBJ: MBFR: PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS

REF: USNATO 5920 (DTG 301800Z OCT 75)

1. FRG DELEGATION OFFICER (HOYNCK) ON NOVEMBER 3 GAVE US AN FRG "COMPROMISE" PROPOSAL FOR RESOLVING THE QUESTION OF PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS IN THE OPTION III POSITION PAPER. HE SAID FRG DID NOT INTEND TO MAKE THIS PROPOSAL IN SPC UNTIL THE US HAD REACTED. THE GRG PROPOSAL IS AS FOLLOWS. THE PRESENT FRG SENTENCE ON THIS SUBJECT (LAST SENTENCE IN PARA 2, REFTEL) IN THE DRAFT POSITION PAPER WOULD BE REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES: "PHASE I AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST WILL INCLUDE AGREEMENT ON THE COLLECTIVE CHARACTER OF THE COMMON CEILING. THE ALLIES AGREE THAT THIS OBJECTIVE IMPLIES THE REJECTION OF ANY WESTERN INDIVIDUAL COMMITMENTS FOR NON-US ALLIED REDUCTIONS." IN ADDITION, THERE WOULD BE A FOOTNOTE TO THESE
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SENTENCES AS FOLLOWS: "REFERENCE IS MADE TO PARAGRAPH 34 OF C-M(73)83 WHICH STATES IN ITS LAST SENTENCE: 'THE ALLIANCE WOULD WISH TO BE FREE TO DECIDE FOR ITSELF HOW THE WEIGHT OF THE REDUCTION REQUIRED FOR THE SECOND PHASE SHOULD BE

DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE NATIONAL FORCES INVOLVED.' THE ALLIES
AGREE THAT CONSEQUENTLY INDIVIDUAL QUOTAS WILL NOT BE PART
OF THE NEGOTIATIONS OR OF ANY AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST.
SHOULD THE EAST RAISE THIS POINT THE AD HOC GROUP IS
AUTHORIZED TO ANSWER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS POSITION."

2. MISSION OFFICER OBSERVED THAT THE NEW FRG LANGUAGE
WOULD REQUIRE ALLIED AGREEMENT TO REJECT INDIVIDUAL
REDUCTION COMMITMENTS IN PHAS II. HE NOTED THE US VIEW
THAT THERE IS NO REASON TO SETTLE THE QUESTION OF PHASE
II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS AT THIS TIME, PARTICULARLY NOT IN
THE CONTEXT OF OPTION III, SINCE THESE ARE SEPARATE ISSUES.
HE SAID HE WOULD REPORT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON COMMENT ON THE NEW FRG
LANGUAGE. STREATOR

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